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Applicant : WOUTER IJDO, et al.
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Title : VISCOSITY STABLE SMECTITE CLAY SLURRIES

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office
Action dated March 15, 2004.

Petition for Extension of Time begins on page 2 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
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